parties and the hearing officer agree that the matter should be consolidated with the suspension for hearing.

(b) Hearings and review of determination by the Hearing Officer shall be governed by the procedures contained in 2 CFR part 2424, except as modified in paragraph (a) of this section and by § 200.245.

[45 FR 54199, Aug. 14, 1980, as amended at 56 FR 50820, Oct. 9, 1991; 61 FR 50219, Sept. 24, 1996; 72 FR 73494, Dec. 27, 2007]

§ 200.245 Hearing Officer determines facts and law: Review Committee makes final administrative decision.

The Hearing Officer will determine the facts and the law relevant to the issues and will report the determination in writing to the Review Committee and to the principal. The Review Committee shall be bound by the Hearing Officer's findings of facts and law and will make a final decision based upon its application of the uniform underwriting and risk evaluation standards contained in this part. It will notify principal of the final action taken.

Subpart I—Nondiscrimination and Fair Housing

§ 200.300 Nondiscrimination and fair housing policy.

Federal Housing Administration programs shall be administered in accordance with:

(a) The nondiscrimination and fair housing requirements set forth in 24 CFR part 5, including the prohibition on inquiries regarding sexual orientation or gender identity set forth in 24 CFR 5.105(a)(2); and

(b) The affirmative fair housing marketing requirements in 24 CFR part 200, subpart M and 24 CFR part 108.

[77 FR 5675, Feb. 3, 2012]

Subpart J—Equal Employment Opportunity

§ 200.400 Purpose.

The purpose of this subpart is to assist in achieving the aims of part III of Executive Order 11246 and the relevant regulations of the Secretary of Labor

and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

§ 200.405 Notice to public.

Participants in insurance programs under the National Housing Act shall be informed, as early as possible upon indicating their interest in any such program, of the established policy of nondiscrimination in employment in construction, repair or rehabilitation work financed with assistance under the Act.

§ 200.410 Definition of term "applicant".

(a) In any mortgage or loan insurance transaction under this chapter where the Commissioner will control the mortgagor either through the ownership of corporate stock or under the provisions of a regulatory agreement, the term *applicant* as used in §200.415 shall mean the mortgagor.

(b) In any transaction other than one specified in paragraph (a) of this section, the term *applicant* as used in §200.415 shall mean the developer, or the builder, dealer or contractor performing the construction, repair or rehabilitation work for the property owner.

§ 200.415 Agreement of applicant.

An applicant, prior to the Commissioner's issuance of any commitment or other loan approval, shall agree (in a form prescribed by the Commissioner) that there shall be no discrimination against anyone who is employed in carrying out work receiving assistance pursuant to this chapter, or against an applicant for such employment, because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, age, or national origin.

[58 FR 41000, July 30, 1993]

§ 200.420 Equal opportunity clause to be included in contracts and sub-

(a) The equal opportunity clause prescribed by the Commissioner pursuant to the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR chapter 60) shall be included in each nonexempt contract and subcontract for work receiving FHA assistance.